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The Honorable Robert W. Sweet
United States District Court
Southern District of New York
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New York, New York 10007

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Re: Stephanie Bethea v. John E. Potter, 08 Civ. 2789 (RWS) (AJP)

Dear Judge Sweet:

This Office represents defendant John E. Potter in the above-titled employment discrimination action. At present, defendant's response to plaintiff *pro se* Stephanie Bethea's complaint is due on June 20, 2008.

Defendant respectfully requests a 45-day extension of his deadline for responding to the complaint to August 4, 2008. The extension is necessary to permit defendant additional time to gather the information necessary for his response. This is the first request for an extension in this matter. I have written a letter to Ms. Bethea requesting consent for this application but have not received a response.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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